

**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**  
**Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation**

Return to: Secretary of State, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-5077

1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER		2. DATE OF FILING	
<i>Corson / Sioux County News - Messenger</i>		Sept 25, 2003	
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE		3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	
<i>Weekly</i>		52	
3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE		<i>\$25.00 \$30.00 out of area</i>	
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers)			
<i>Box 201 1st Ave West, McLaughlin S.D. 57642</i>			
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers)			
<i>Box 788 McLaughlin S.D. 57642</i>			
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER:			
<i>Merle E. Lofgren</i>			
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.)			
FULL NAME		COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS	
<i>Merle E. Lofgren</i>		<i>Box 788 McLaughlin S.D. 57642</i>	
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.)			
<i>None</i>			
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION		AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)		1500	
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION		1500	
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.		390	
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)		967	
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)		1357	
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION		1415	
1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS			
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES		45	
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)		1455	
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED			
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing		163	
2. Return from News Agents		20	
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 - Should equal net press run shown in A)		1500	
SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER			
I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.			
<i>Merle E. Lofgren</i>			

State of South Dakota *SD*)

s  
County of *Corson*)

(Seal)

Sworn to before me this 26 day of

*September*, 2003

*Hillard Hauck*  
Notary Public

My commission expires 3-30-2007